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OFFICIAL REPORTS

GROTON
N. H.

1929

ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer,
School Board and Other
Officials

— OF THE —

TOWN OF GROTON

— FOR —

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1929



BRISTOL, N. H.
MUSGROVE PRINTING HOUSE
1929

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

AGNES A. LANE

CLERK AND TREASURER

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON

HEALTH OFFICER

Office vacant

LAND AGENT

CHAS. E. MATTHEWS

TAX COLLECTOR

ARTHUR M. BROWN

POLICE

FRED VINTON

CONSTABLE

WARREN REMICK

SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION

SARAH DUNKERTON ELIZABETH JEWELL
E. G. GOULD

LIBRARIAN


AGNES A. LANE

SELECTMEN

S. E. LANE F. E. MATTHEWS S. N. KINNE

SCHOOL BOARD

KATIE E. BROWN SARAH DUNKERTON
LIZZIE KINNE



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BUDGET OF TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1930, compared with the actual Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1929.

Sources of Revenues	1928	Estimated 1929
From state		
✓ Savings bank tax	\$ 90.17	\$ 90.17
✓ For highways, town roads (Flood)	12,202.91	
✓ State aid maintenance	8,097.13	600.00
✓ From local sources except taxes	192.20	192.20
✓ Interest received on taxes	24.17	24.17
From poll taxes	166.00	150.00
✓ From state, for state aid construction	1,214.71	732.00
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Total revenues from all sources		
except property taxes	\$ 21,987.29	\$ 1,788.54
Amount raised by property tax	12,568.89	12,568.89
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Total revenues	\$ 34,556.18	\$ 14,357.43

Purposes of Expenditures	Estimated	
	1928	1929
Current maintenance expenses		
Town officers' salaries	\$ 561.65	\$ 561.65
Town officers' expenses	100.45	100.45
Police	3.00	20.50
Fire department, library insurance	17.50	
Bounties	17.40	20.00
Vital statistics	.50	1.00
State aid maintenance		
State's contribution	8,097.13	600.00
Town's contribution	1,328.84	600.00
Town maintenance	15,445.81	4,500.00
General expense of highway dept.	83.25	100.00
Libraries	15.00	15.00
Interest on temporary loans	492.54	500.00
State aid construction		
State's contribution	1,214.71	732.00
Town's contribution	2,012.69	732.00
Payment on principal of debt	1,500.00	1,000.00
Payment to other governmental divisions		
State tax	1,014.40	1,014.40
County tax	884.04	884.04
Payments to school districts	4,074.47	3,475.54
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Total expenditures	\$ 36,863.38	\$ 14,856.58

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE
TOWN OF GROTON, APRIL 1, 1928

Land and buildings	\$ 436,930.00
Horses, 56	4,675.00
Oxen, 6	500.00
Cows, 43	2,840.00
Other neat stock, 6	310.00
Sheep, 20	125.00
Hogs, 3	35.00
Portable mills, 7	4,260.00
Wood and lumber	34,930.00
Gas pump, 1	400.00
Stock in trade	1,255.00
Mills and machinery	2,000.00
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Total	\$ 488,260.00
Polls, 92 at \$2.00	\$ 184.00
Rate per \$100.00, \$2.50	
Soldiers' exemptions	\$ 3,790.00
Property taxes levied	12,377.00

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1928.

S. E. LANE,
F. E. MATTHEWS,
S. N. KINNE,
Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS

Town charges	\$ 950.00
State aid maintenance	600.00
State aid construction	727.50
Highways and bridges	3,000.00
Planks, stringers and labor	1,000.00
School district	4,031.06
State tax	1,014.40
County tax	884.04
Overlay	163.50

ASSETS

Cash in hand of treasurer		\$ 747.76
Joint highway accounts, unexpended balance in state treasury		1,192.60
Bounties		17.40
Trust funds		20.35
Taxes not collected, levy of 1928		248.13
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1926		171.98
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1927		909.64
Taxes bought by town, levy of 1928		1,108.57
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Total assets		\$ 4,416.43
Excess of liabilities over assets		5,042.53
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Grand total		\$ 9,458.96
Net debt, Jan. 31, 1928	\$ 3,664.99	
Net debt, Jan. 31, 1929	5,042.53	
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Increase of debt	\$ 1,377.54	

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by town	
Outstanding temporary loans	\$ 9,458.96

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, land and buildings	\$ 1,000.00
Equipment	200.00
Libraries	560.00
Equipment	10.00
Highway department equipment	300.00
Schools, lands and buildings	1,700.00
Equipment	600.00
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	\$ 4,370.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1928

No. of autos taxed, 68	\$ 192.20
No. of dogs taxed, 21	46.00
No fires reported in the year 1928	

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

Examined and found correct.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
KATIE E. BROWN,
Auditors for Town of Groton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1929

RECEIPTS

1926 tax and interest	\$ 110.66
1927 tax and interest	329.36
1928 tax and interest	12,153.04
State aid flood	21,514.75
Town clerk, auto tax	192.20
Town clerk, dog tax	46.00
Savings bank tax	90.17
Pemigewasset notes	3,500.00
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	\$ 37,936.18
Balance from 1927	1,127.79
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	\$ 39,063.97
Less selectmen's orders	38,316.21
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	\$ 747.76

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,

Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

ANNIE M. ESTY,

KATIE E. BROWN,

Auditors for Town of Groton.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

From local taxes, 1928	
Amount committed to collector	\$ 12,377.00
Less uncollected, 1928	248.13
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Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$ 11,962.87
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected	440.02
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected	166.00
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Total of above collections	\$ 12,568.89
From state	
For highways	
Town roads, flood	\$ 12,202.91
State aid maintenance	8,097.13
State aid construction	1,214.71
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	\$ 21,514.75
Savings bank tax	90.17
From local sources except taxes	
Dog licenses	46.00
Interest received	24.17
Permits for the registration of motor vehicles	192.20
Temporary loans	3,500.00
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Total receipts from all sources	\$ 37,936.18
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1928	1,127.79
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Grand total	\$ 39,063.97

PAYMENTS

General government	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 561.65
Town officers' expenses	100.45
Police	3.00
Fire department, library insurance	17.50
Bounties	17.40
Vital statistics	.50
State aid maintenance	9,425.97
Town maintenance	15,445.81
General expenses of highway department	83.25
Libraries	15.00
Taxes bought by town	1,108.57
Abatements refunded	208.00
Miscellaneous	136.26
Interest on notes	492.54
State aid construction	3,227.40
Payments on temporary loans	1,500.00
Taxes paid to state	1,014.40
Taxes paid to county	884.04
Payments to school district	4,074.47
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Total payments for all purposes	\$ 38,316.21
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1929	747.76
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Grand total	\$ 39,063.97

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Flora B. Remick, supervisor	\$ 24.50
Edd. Smith, supervisor	23.75
Elizabeth Jewell, supervisor	26.25
Agnes A. Lane, moderator	10.50
Agnes A. Lane, librarian	15.00
Arthur M. Brown, collector	60.00
George F. Dunkerton, clerk and treasurer	90.00

Annie M. Esty, auditor	\$ 5.25
Katie E. Brown, auditor	5.25
S. N. Kinne, selectman	71.75
F. E. Matthews, selectman	46.70
S. E. Lane, selectman	147.20
Mrs. Guy Taylor, assistant librarian, 1927	7.50
Mrs. Edna D. Gould, assistant librarian	3.50
E. E. Horne, ballot clerk	7.00
J. Cabana, ballot clerk	3.50
W. A. Remick, ballot clerk	7.00
E. E. Matthews, ballot clerk	3.50
Alvah Esty, ballot clerk	3.50

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Jackman & Lang, bonds	\$ 20.00
Edson C. Eastman	24.70
A. A. Lane, Free Public Library	15.00
Musgrove Printing House	51.17
Auto Service Bureau	12.64
A. M. Brown, taxes bought by town	1,108.57
S. E. Lane, police badge, and housing tramp	3.00
Dr. Coolidge, vital statistics	.50
G. F. Dunkerton, stamps, making out permits	37.75
Interest on temporary loans	492.54
A. M. Brown, collector, taxes abated	183.00
A. M. Brown, collector, taxes refunded	25.00
State tax	1,014.40
County tax	884.04
School district	4,074.47
F. E. Matthews, expenses	1.00
S. E. Lane, expenses and stamps	58.95
S. N. Kinne, expenses	2.00
S. N. Kinne, bounties	7.40
F. E. Matthews, bounties	10.00
L. K. Tilton, check writer	25.00
Fred W. Brown, library insurance	17.50

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE OF
TOWN HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Districts No. 1 and 2

Geo. Dunkerton, surveyor:

Bill of Apr.	7	\$ 5.09
May	5	336.73
June	2	248.42
Sept.	1	192.61
Oct.	4	100.00
	6	777.42
Nov.	3	535.72
	14	400.00
Dec.	1	593.14
Jan.	31	362.07
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		\$ 3,551.20

Flood, received from state	\$ 2,682.28
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Districts 3-4-5

Arthur M. Brown, surveyor:

Bill of May	5	\$ 52.12
June	2	95.61
Aug.	4	172.59
Sept.	4	366.07
Oct.	6	87.63
Nov.	3	374.50
Dec.	1	214.90
Jan.	5	11.78
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		\$ 1,375.20

Flood, received from state	\$ 1,155.51
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Districts 6-7-8-11

E. G. Gould, surveyor:

Bill of May	5	\$ 68.32
June	2	380.38
July	14	304.54
Sept.	1	174.54
Oct.	6	216.89
Nov.	3	454.56
Dec.	11	275.61
Jan.	31	17.50

\$ 1,892.34

Flood, received from state \$ 1,448.00

Districts 9-10

Fred Vinton surveyor:

Bill of June	2	\$ 113.00
July	14	192.70
Oct.	6	70.00
Nov.	3	180.50

\$ 556.20

Flood, received from state \$ 416.75

S. N. Kinne:

Bill of Apr.	7	\$ 12.25
July	28	20.75
Oct.	6	117.25
Nov.	3	168.00

\$ 318.25

Ned Albert:		
Bill of May	5	\$ 14.00
Jan.	5	30.25
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		<hr/> \$ 44.25
Geo. C. Craig		\$ 205.25

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN HIGHWAY BILLS

General Heel Corporation, plank	\$ 144.84
Hebron, snow plow	220.50
George Dunkerton, repairs	10.30
Berger Co., culverts	47.70
Kittridge Co., irons for bridge	8.25
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	510.80
L. L. Ingalls, bridge plank	438.28
Boston & Maine, demurrage	2.00
F. A. Tucker, cartage	15.00
F. E. Matthews, hauling plank	48.56
Geo. Dunkerton, gravel	26.10
	<hr/> \$ 1,472.33

NORTH GROTON BRIDGE AND ROAD—FLOOD

Supervision of S. E. Lane

Nov.	22	\$ 1,000.00
Dec.	1	1,200.00
	11	1,472.60
Jan.	5	441.00
	31	2,000.44
		<hr/> \$ 6,114.04

STATE AID MAINTENANCE—FLOOD

April	\$ 108.86
May	325.62
June	743.93
July	2,200.00
August	1,278.00
September	1,606.00
October	1,000.00
November	1,500.00
December	663.56
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	\$ 9,425.97

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION—BRIDGE AND
ROAD

November	\$ 1,400.00
December	1,327.40
January	500.00
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	\$ 3,227.40
Received from state	\$ 15,812.21

Groton, N. H., Feb. 1, 1929.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

KATIE E. BROWN,
ANNIE M. ESTY,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

No report submitted of Trust Funds for 1929

Copy of report for 1928

Geo. W. Hall fund	\$ 100.00
Accrued interest Jan. 31, 1927	\$ 24.13
Income during year	4.25
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Accrued interest Jan. 31, 1928	\$ 28.38
Cyrus Blood fund	\$ 50.00
Accrued interest Jan. 31, 1927	\$ 18.07
Income during year	2.13
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Accrued interest Jan. 31, 1928	\$ 20.20

S. N. KINNE,
H. R. REMICK,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN AND TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount on hand at beginning of year	\$ 8.66
Received from town	15.00
fines	1.99
membership fees	.38
gift	.08
membership fees (assistant librarian's report)	.20
Total receipts	<hr/> \$ 26.31
Paid for books	\$ 22.92
Postage, money orders, etc.	.17
Total expenditures	<hr/> \$ 23.09
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1929	<hr/> \$ 3.22

RESOURCES

Books owned at beginning of year	1,693
Bought by town	31
Added by gifts	6
Books owned at end of year	<hr/> 1,730
State reports, documents, etc.	9
Magazines currently received	1

SERVICE

Volumes of non-fiction lent	3
Volumes of fiction lent	361
Volumes of fiction lent (assistant librarian's report)	88
Unbound magazines lent	10

Total current circulation during year	462
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New borrowers added during year	22
Regular borrowers during year	25
Regular borrowers during year (assistant librarian's report)	9
New borrowers during year (assistant librarian's report)	5

Total borrowers during year	61
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AGNES A. LANE,
Librarian and Treasurer.

Groton, N. H., Jan. 31, 1929.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GROTON

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF

School Treasurer and School Board

July 1, 1927, to June 30, 1928

Treasurer's Report

Summary:

Cash on hand June 30, 1927	\$ 532.32
From selectmen by taxation	3,348.88
Dog tax	28.48
From all other sources	401.23

Total receipts	\$ 4,310.91
Less school board orders paid	4,055.69

Balance on hand June 30, 1928	\$ 255.23
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GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,

District Treasurer.

June 30, 1928.

School Board's Report

Receipts:

From selectmen by taxation	\$ 3,748.88
Dog tax	28.48
Sale of property	1.23

Receipts from all sources	\$ 3,778.59
Cash on hand July 1, 1927	532.32

Grand total	\$ 4,310.91
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**Payments 1927-28; Budget for Current Year,
Expenditures to Jan. 1, 1929, and Proposed Budget**

	Expended 1927-28	Budget 1928-29	Expend- ed to Jan. 1, '29	Proposed Budget
Salaries of district officers	\$ 60.50	\$ 59.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 63.50
Superintendent's excess salary	115.95	130.00	128.68	128.68
Truant officer and school census	4.66	10.00	4.67	10.00
Expenses of administration	30.91	25.00	4.12	25.00
Teachers' salaries	1,650.00	1,650.00	663.84	1,650.00
Text books	52.53	40.00	42.50	50.00
Scholars' supplies	34.23	50.00	23.00	55.00
Flags and appurtenances		4.00		
Other expenses of instruction	1.60	5.00		5.00
Janitor service	72.00	72.00	29.00	72.00
Fuel	90.50	105.00	5.00	105.00
Janitor supplies	12.50	10.00	7.50	15.00
Minor repairs and expenses	21.91	50.00	9.28	50.00
Medical inspection	15.00	15.00		15.00
Transportation	555.50	576.00	216.00	576.00
High school tuition	260.57	504.36	252.21	504.36
Elementary tuition	368.00	407.00	94.71	407.00
Alteration of old buildings	549.10	325.00	304.13	
New equipment		50.00		
Per capita tax	98.00	82.00	82.00	116.00
Payment bills previous year	62.22	69.35	53.86	
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Total payments	\$ 4,055.68	\$ 4,238.71	\$ 1,924.00	\$ 3,847.54
Cash on hand June 30, 1928	255.23			
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	\$ 4,310.91			

Assets:		
Cash on hand June 30, 1928		\$ 255.23
Outstanding bills June 30, 1928	\$ 69.35	
Unexpended equalization fund	135.51	
Amount in treasury to credit of state board	11.26	
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Net assets		<hr/> \$ 39.11

KATIE E. BROWN,
SARAH DUNKERTON,
LIZZIE M. KINNE,
School Board.

July 6, 1928.

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board and treasurer of Groton for the year ending June 30, 1928, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
Auditors.

July 13, 1928.

School Board's Budget for 1929-1930

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1929.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures:

	Elementary Schools
* Support of Schools	
Teachers' salaries	\$ 1,650.00
Text books	50.00
Scholars' supplies	55.00
Other expenses of instruction	5.00
Janitor service	72.00
Fuel	105.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	15.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00
Health supervision (Medical inspection)	15.00
Transportation of pupils	576.00
Payment of elementary tuitions	407.00
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	\$ 3,000.00
Other statutory requirements	
Salaries of district officers	\$ 63.50
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Payment of tuitions in high schools and academies	504.36
Superintendent's excess salary	128.68
Per capita tax	116.00
Administration	25.00
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	\$ 847.54
Total amount required to meet school board's budget	<hr/>
	\$ 3,847.54
Estimated Income of District:	
Balance June 30, 1929	\$ 80.00
State aid (December, 1929, allotment)	467.00
Dog tax	25.00
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Deduct total estimated income, not raised by taxation	\$ 572.00
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Assessment required to balance school board's budget	\$ 3,275.54
Special appropriations proposed	
Repairs	\$ 200.00
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Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations	<hr/>
	\$ 3,475.54

KATIE E. BROWN,
SARAH DUNKERTON,
School Board.

Groton, N. H., Feb. 2, 1929.

* \$3.50 per \$1,000 on taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

VITAL STATISTICS

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1928

BIRTHS

In Groton, N. H., Aug. 6, 1928, to Edward H. Smith and
Ida L. Caldon, a son.

In Groton, N. H., Sept. 6, 1928, to Frank E. Matthews
and Lena M. Hobart, a son.

MARRIAGES

In Hill, N. H., Aug. 1, 1928, by Rev. Arthur A. Richards
of Franklin, N. H., Ernest E. Matthews of Groton
to Ellen E. Woodward of Hill, N. H.

In Rumney, N. H., July 9, 1928, by Leslie L. Bunker,
Justice of the Peace, of Rumney, Melville M. Draper
of Rumney to Mabel M. Hussey of Groton.

In Bristol, N. H., Nov. 18, 1928, by Rev. Wm. T. Thistle
of Bristol, George Brown Gurney of Groton to Ruth
Dudley of Tilton, N. H.

In Bristol, N. H., Nov. 26, 1928, by Rev. Wm. T. Thistle
of Bristol, Shirley Jewell of Groton to Frances
Mosher of Bristol.

In Plymouth, N. H., Dec. 9, 1928, by Rev. F. H. Von der
Sump of Plymouth, Frank H. Jewell of Groton to
Edith B. Gage of Plymouth.

DEATHS

In Groton, N. H., July 27, 1928, Wanita White, age 11 years, 4 months, 1 day.

In Bristol, N. H., Nov. 7, 1928, Daniel F. Wheeler, age 73 years, 11 months, 2 days.

I hereby certify that the above records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

